## RAPE REPORTING REQUIREMENTS FOR COMPETENT ADULT VICTIMS Updated January 11, 2007

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Specific requirement to report sexual assault? No.

Requirement to report non-accidental or intentional injuries? No.

Requirement to report injuries caused by criminal conduct? No.

Additional statutes that may impact competent adult victims of sexual assault? There is a requirement to report injuries caused by a knife, pistol, gun, deadly weapon or by other means of violence.

## REPORTING STATUTES WHICH MAY IMPACT RAPE VICTIMS

## Tenn. Code Ann. § 38-1-101. Reports to law enforcement officials of certain types of injuries

- (a) All hospitals, clinics, sanitariums, doctors, physicians, surgeons, nurses, pharmacists, undertakers, embalmers, or other persons called upon to tender aid to persons suffering from any wound or other injury inflicted by means of a knife, pistol, gun, or other deadly weapon, or by other means of violence, or resulting from exposure to a methamphetamine laboratory or a methamphetamine laboratory related fire, explosion, or chemical release, or suffering from the effects of poison, or suffocation, shall report the same immediately to the chief of police, if the injured person is in or brought into or the injury occurred in an incorporated town or city, or to the sheriff if the injured person is in or brought into or the injury occurred in the county outside the corporate limits of any incorporated town or city, and shall also, in either event, report the same immediately to the district attorney general or a member of the district attorney general's staff of the judicial district in which the injured person is, or has been brought into, or the injury occurred. Such report shall state the name, residence, and employer of such person, if known, such person's whereabouts at the time the report is made, the place the injury occurred, and the character and extent of such injuries.
- (b) Injuries to minors which are required to be reported by § 37-1-403 are not required to be reported under this section.